

MOES QUESTIONNAIRE ITEM NO. 26
Required Exit Medical Examinations

Intent

The intent of this question was to determine if the facility required medical examinations upon termination of employment, and if specific employee groups were affected by this policy.

This item was displayed on the questionnaire as:

Do you require medical
examinations of your
employees when their
employment is
terminated? (Exit
examination)

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Notes

All examinations performed by or under the supervision of a physician which were required upon the termination of a worker's employment would be included as a positive response to this inquiry.

No voluntary examinations were accepted as a positive response.

Analysis

Three analyses of the responses to question 26 are presented.

(1) Response 26.2, 26.4, or 26.5 - Exit examinations required for all, production or selected workers

The estimates of the plants which require exit examinations for all workers, production workers, or selected workers, and workers in those plants (by number and proportion of the totals) are displayed in Figures III-106 and III-107, and Tables III-89 and III-90.

Figure III-106 Exit exams required for all or selected workers
(by major industrial group)

Figure III-107 Exit exams required for all or selected workers
(by 2-digit SIC)

Table III-89 Number and percent of plants and employees in plants
which require exit examinations for all or selected
workers (by major industrial group)

Table III-90 Number and percent of plants and employees in plants
which require exit examinations for all or selected
workers (by 2-digit SIC)

- (2) Response 26.1 or 26.3 - Exit examinations not required, or required for management only

The estimates of the plants which either do not require exit examinations, or require them for management personnel only, and the workers in those plants (by number and proportion of the totals) are displayed in Figures III-108 and III-109, and Tables III-91 and III-92.

Figure III-108 Exit exams not required or for management only
(by major industrial group)

Figure III-109 Exit exams not required or for management only
(by 2-digit SIC)

Table III-91 Number and percent of plants and employees in plants which do not require exit exams or examine management only (by major industrial group)

Table III-92 Number and percent of plants and employees in plants which do not require exit exams or examine management only (by 2-digit SIC)

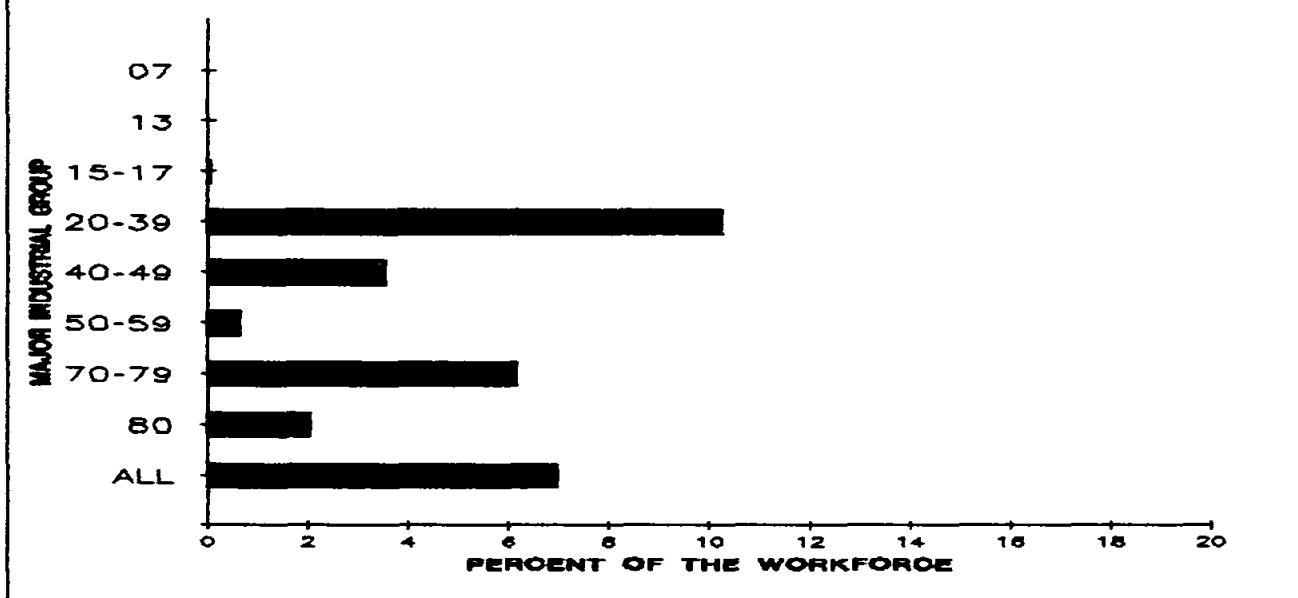
- (3) Response 26.1, 26.2, 26.3, 26.4, or 26.5 - Required exit medical examinations

The estimated proportions of plants and workers in those plants corresponding to each of the five possible responses to the exit examination inquiry are displayed in Figure III-110.

Figure III-110 Exit or termination examinations required

FIGURE III - 106
EXIT EXAMS REQUIRED FOR ALL OR SELECTED WORKERS
(NOES 1981-1983)

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NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE SURVEY (1981-1983) TABLE NO. III-89

NUMBER AND PERCENT OF PLANTS AND EMPLOYEES IN PLANTS WHICH
 REQUIRE EXIT EXAMINATIONS FOR ALL OR SELECTED WORKERS

MAJOR GROUP	PLANTS			TOTAL	EMPLOYEES			TOTAL
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (>500)		SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (>500)	
07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15-17		16* (14) .4%		16* (14) .0%		3106* (2726) .4%		3106* (2726) .1%
20-39	651* (285) .4%	834 (178) 2.6%	982 (174) 15.7%	2466 (360) 1.3%	31062* (11786) .7%	204019 (43454) 3.2%	1744700 (188194) 21.1%	1979781 (185541) 10.3%
40-49	828* (577) 1.6%	174* (99) 3.0%	28* (17) 5.9%	1029* (594) 1.7%	17757* (10720) 1.2%	31394* (18218) 2.7%	65551* (40321) 11.4%	114702* (48503) 3.6%
50-59	326* (267) .6%	...	...	326* (267) .5%	11151* (10458) 1.0%	...	...	11151* (10458) .7%
70-79	341* (262) .5%	241* (79) 10.3%	95* (105) 26.7%	676* (270) .9%	12598* (9800) .9%	53974* (18879) 11.6%	70594* (75295) 20.8%	137167* (77670) 6.2%
80		61* (48) 2.8%	8* (10) .4%	70* (51) 1.0%		19762* (14890) 3.7%	58645* (75838) 1.9%	78407* (79264) 2.1%
ALL	2145* (744) .5%	1325 (224) 2.7%	1112 (204) 11.8%	4582 (793) .9%	72568* (21430) .7%	312255 (52969) 3.2%	1939490 (220144) 15.6%	2324313 (221833) 7.0%

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 ...No facilities observed.

NUMBER AND PERCENT OF PLANTS AND EMPLOYEES IN PLANTS WHICH REQUIRE EXIT EXAMINATIONS FOR ALL OR SELECTED WORKERS

SIC CODE	SMALL (8-99)	PLANTS MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	TOTAL	SMALL (8-99)	EMPLOYEES MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	TOTAL
07	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
15	...	16* (14) 1.4%	...	16* (14) .7%	...	3106* (2726) 1.6%	...	3106* (2726) .3%
16	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
17	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
20	149* (128) 1.3%	67* (65) 2.1%	...	216* (153) .4%	9576* (9816) 2.5%	16774* (16163) 2.5%	...	26349* (19779) 1.7%
21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
22	...	196* (90) 12.3%	109* (71) 36.4%	304* (147) 6.3%	...	64739* (30568) 18.7%	69282* (46271) 26.5%	134022* (70685) 18.8%
23	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24	...	66* (89) 5.7%	...	66* (89) .6%	...	9148* (12354) 5.0%	...	9148* (12354) 1.6%
25	...	15* (29) 1.4%	...	15* (29) .3%	...	4952* (9618) 1.9%	...	4952* (9618) 1.0%
26	89* (84) 2.2%	23* (26) 1.5%	11* (12) 5.3%	124* (90) 2.1%	8206* (7701) 6.0%	3077* (3427) 1.1%	40240* (42386) 19.5%	51522* (41613) 8.2%
27	...	...	27* (25) 8.5%	27* (25) .1%	...	...	29693* (19951) 8.6%	29693* (19951) 2.5%
28	78* (53) 1.3%	219* (59) 18.9%	83* (63) 21.6%	380* (112) 4.9%	5576* (3751) 3.1%	42386* (15768) 16.3%	109923* (74607) 23.1%	157884* (80071) 17.2%
29	...	...	7* (27) 6.9%	7* (27) .5%	...	...	14254* (55458) 12.1%	14254* (55458) 6.4%
30	...	...	106* (61) 47.5%	106* (61) 1.3%	...	...	130609* (67611) 55.9%	130609* (67611) 17.3%
31	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
32	38* (45) .4%	101* (81) 10.0%	30* (25) 16.1%	169* (100) 1.7%	3125* (3674) 1.3%	20380* (15710) 9.8%	20375* (17151) 15.8%	43880* (23439) 7.6%
33	...	54* (50) 3.7%	56* (49) 16.6%	110* (49) 1.9%	...	16990* (15341) 5.5%	164540* (52964) 26.5%	181531* (51379) 16.9%

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TABLE NO. III-90 (CONTINUED)

SIC CODE	PLANTS			TOTAL	EMPLOYEES			TOTAL
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)		SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	
34	296*	38*	63*	397*	4580*	7231*	41407*	53218*
	(219) 1.6%	(27) 1.2%	(41) 18.1%	(229) 1.8%	(3488) .8%	(5918) 1.2%	(26866) 11.8%	(27659) 3.5%
35		52*	107*	160*		18125*	225379*	243504*
	...	(32) 1.5%	(46) 13.7%	(55) .6%	...	(10507) 2.7%	(69949) 20.3%	(70568) 10.2%
36			125*	125*			406051*	406051*
	...	...	(40) 15.9%	(40) 1.2%	...	...	(133606) 34.3%	(133606) 20.7%
37			63*	63*			279584	279584
	(19) 15.1%	(19) 1.1%	(63138) 18.5%	(63138) 14.9%
38		2*	195*	197*		218*	213362*	213580*
	...	(2) .2%	(99) 46.9%	(99) 4.8%	...	(241) .1%	(120865) 46.3%	(120875) 28.1%
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42	152*			152*	5470*			5470*
	(148) .8%	(148) .7%	(5318) 1.1%	(5318) .7%
45			7*	7*			24066*	24066*
	(7) 4.7%	(7) .2%	(25642) 9.1%	(25642) 5.3%
48	77*			77*	2709*			2709*
	(74) .5%	...	...	(74) .5%	(2589) .6%	...	...	(2589) .4%
49		174*	21*	194*		31394*	41485*	72879*
	...	(99) 9.3%	(16) 12.1%	(103) 1.9%	...	(18218) 7.4%	(31333) 28.3%	(38917) 8.7%
50	104*			104*	7835*			7835*
	(128) .3%	...	...	(128) .3%	(9630) 1.2%	...	...	(9630) .9%
51	221*			221*	3316*			3316*
	(223) 2.4%	...	...	(223) 2.4%	(3348) 1.8%	...	...	(3348) 1.6%
55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
72		39*		39*	4337*			4337*
	...	(38) 5.8%	...	(38) .2%	(4171) 5.3%	...	...	(4171) .9%
73	114*	202*	95*	411*	4003*	49637*	70594*	124235*
	(129) .7%	(87) 13.6%	(105) 27.7%	(184) 2.2%	(4529) .9%	(20336) 14.2%	(75295) 21.5%	(77275) 11.3%
75	226*			226*	8595*			8595*
	(240) .9%	(240) .9%	(9104) 2.1%	(9104) 2.0%
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80		61*	8*	70*	19762*	58645*	78407*	
	...	(48) 2.8%	(10) .4%	(51) 1.0%	...	(14890) 3.7%	(75838) 1.9%	(79264) 2.1%
A11	1546*	1325	1112	3984	62990*	312255	1939490	2314735
	(488) .3%	(223) 2.7%	(185) 11.8%	(516) .8%	(19551) .6%	(55442) 3.2%	(244740) 15.6%	(238946) 7.0%

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FIGURE III - 107
EXIT EXAMS REQUIRED FOR ALL OR SELECTED WORKERS
(NOES 1981-1983)

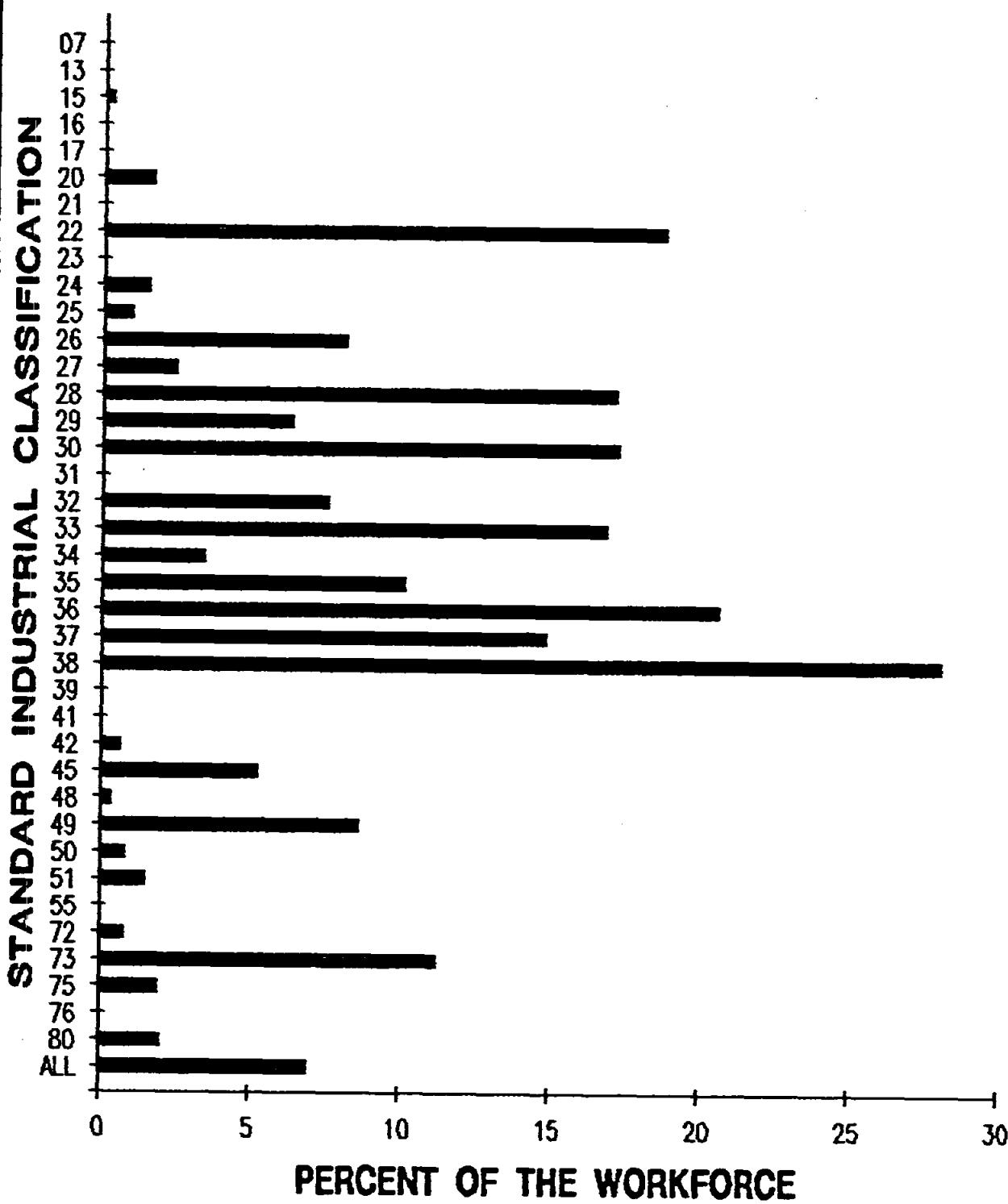
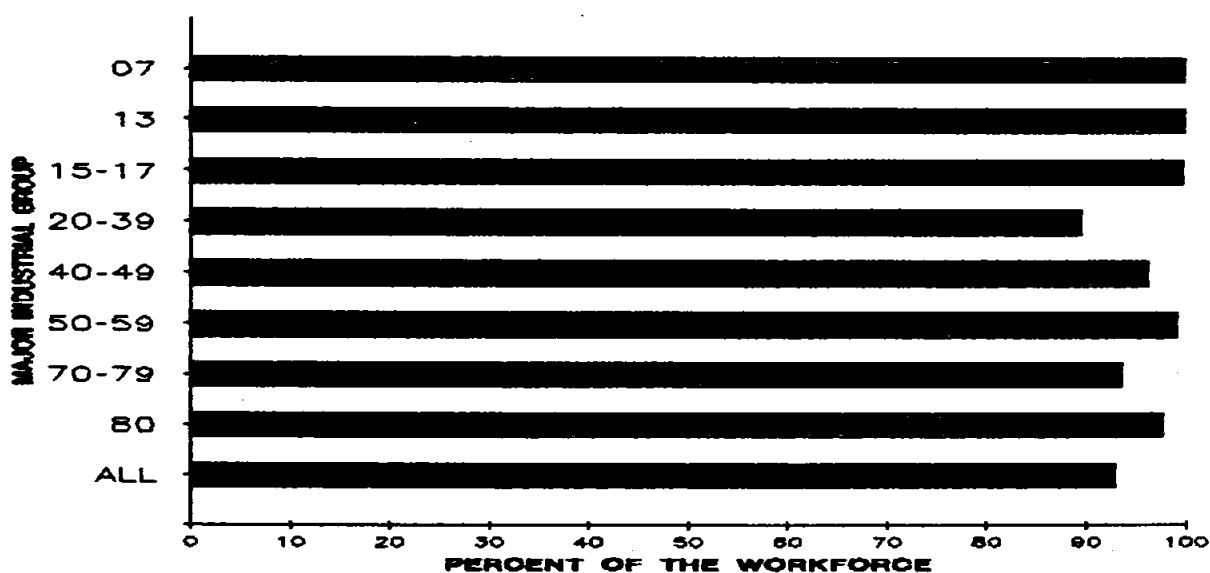


FIGURE III - 108
EXIT EXAMS NOT REQUIRED OR FOR MANAGEMENT ONLY
 (NOES 1981-1983)

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NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE SURVEY (1981-1983) TABLE NO. III-91

NUMBER AND PERCENT OF PLANTS AND EMPLOYEES IN PLANTS WHICH
 DO NOT REQUIRE EXIT EXAMINATIONS OR EXAMINE MANAGEMENT ONLY

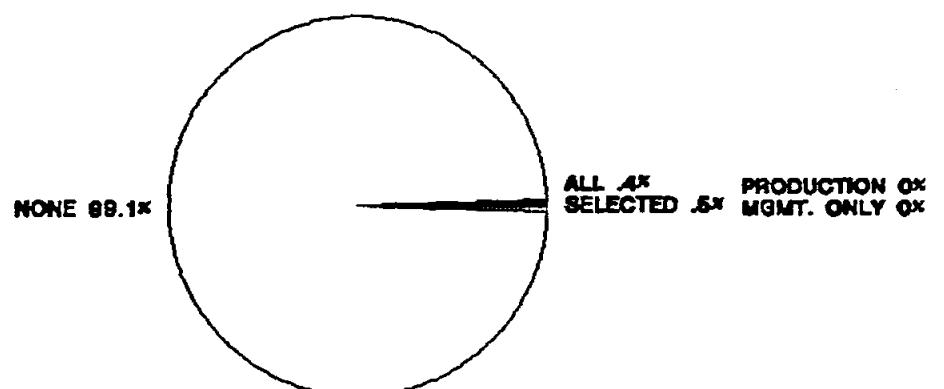
MAJOR GROUP	PLANTS			EMPLOYEES			TOTAL	
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	TOTAL	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	
07	5563* (1575) 100.0%	70* (67) 100.0%	...	5633* (1557) 100.0%	103682* (30828) 100.0%	7009* (6680) 100.0%	...	110692* (29333) 100.0%
13	8597 (1933) 100.0%	1019* (331) 100.0%	46* (52) 100.0%	9662 (2132) 100.0%	208958 (38479) 100.0%	173943* (58021) 100.0%	31383* (35291) 100.0%	414284 (101840) 100.0%
15-17	94332 (2397) 100.0%	4129 (542) 99.6%	242* (135) 100.0%	98704 (2408) 100.0%	2098893 (18337) 100.0%	733993 (105764) 99.6%	236057* (100060) 100.0%	3068943 (132308) 99.9%
20-39	152592 (2558) 99.6%	30920 (2002) 97.4%	5288 (204) 84.3%	188800 (3752) 98.7%	4584632 (42050) 99.3%	6176794 (377221) 96.8%	6520621 (334523) 78.9%	17282047 (640129) 89.7%
40-49	52324 (2896) 98.4%	5670 (993) 97.0%	440* (135) 94.1%	58435 (3451) 98.3%	1416112 (105180) 98.8%	1121920 (215300) 97.3%	508192 (109930) 88.6%	3046224 (271487) 96.4%
50-59	58066 (3774) 99.4%	2659* (726) 100.0%	...	60725 (3932) 99.5%	1113224 (81750) 99.0%	408827* (110771) 100.0%	...	1522050 (143644) 99.3%
70-79	72793 (3591) 99.5%	2105 (336) 89.7%	260* (101) 73.4%	75158 (3552) 99.1%	1380576 (65827) 99.1%	410538 (62712) 88.4%	268966* (97061) 79.2%	2060080 (110572) 93.8%
80	2839* (830) 100.0%	2105 (271) 97.2%	2053 (304) 99.6%	6997 (857) 99.0%	101644 (22701) 100.0%	514723 (72692) 96.3%	2964031 (356584) 98.1%	3580398 (351083) 97.9%
ALL	447108 (7398) 99.5%	48678 (2473) 97.3%	8330 (428) 88.2%	504115 (8220) 99.1%	11007722 (164711) 99.3%	9547747 (474061) 96.8%	10529250 (521364) 84.4%	31084718 (817512) 93.0%

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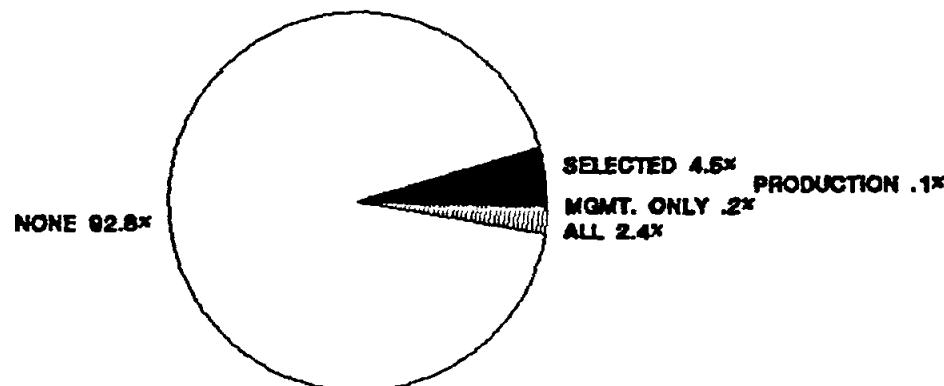
FIGURE III – 109
EXIT EXAMS NOT REQUIRED OR FOR MANAGEMENT ONLY
(NOES 1981-1983)



FIGURE III - 110
EXIT OR TERMINATION EXAMINATIONS REQUIRED
(NOES 1981-1983)



PLANTS



WORKERS

NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE SURVEY (1981-1983) TABLE NO. III-92

NUMBER AND PERCENT OF PLANTS AND EMPLOYEES IN PLANTS WHICH
DO NOT REQUIRE EXIT EXAMINATIONS OR EXAMINE MANAGEMENT ONLY

SIC CODE	SMALL (8-99)	PLANTS MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	TOTAL	EMPLOYEES			TOTAL
					SMALL (8-99)	PLANTS MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	
07	5563*	70*	...	5633*	103682*	7009*	...	110692*
	(1575)	(67)		(1557)	(30828)	(6680)		(29333)
	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%
13	8597	1019*	46*	9662	208958	173943*	31383*	414284
	(1933)	(331)	(52)	(2132)	(38479)	(58021)	(35291)	(101840)
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
15	24916	1092	135*	26142	562888	195112	134799*	892799
	(1781)	(195)	(100)	(1838)	(44936)	(37825)	(71218)	(91650)
	100.0%	98.6%	100.0%	99.9%	100.0%	98.4%	100.0%	99.7%
16	11284	1119	107*	12511	284089	207759	101258*	593106
	(1432)	(194)	(67)	(1426)	(46249)	(44051)	(53561)	(86065)
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
17	58132	1919	...	60051	1251915	331122*	...	1583038
	(1697)	(433)		(1740)	(31289)	(83193)		(85352)
	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%		100.0%
20	11263	3148	559	14971	378862	657007	491775	1527644
	(625)	(465)	(121)	(774)	(10715)	(109570)	(104930)	(110640)
	98.7%	97.9%	100.0%	98.6%	97.5%	97.5%	100.0%	98.3%
21	30*	79*	109*	1866*	...	112133*	113999*	
	(43)	(56)	(65)	(2685)		(67572)	(66861)	
	100.0%	99.6%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
22	2932	1393	190*	4514	106032	282334	191811*	580177
	(393)	(159)	(86)	(371)	(5745)	(31481)	(102484)	(109042)
	100.0%	87.7%	63.5%	93.7%	100.0%	81.3%	73.5%	81.2%
23	12514	3102	242*	15858	423904	609922	208437*	1242263
	(828)	(163)	(93)	(843)	(10003)	(29811)	(79559)	(81210)
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
24	10711	1082	104*	11897	303646	174437	92355*	570438
	(682)	(136)	(74)	(736)	(24224)	(24113)	(52501)	(78586)
	100.0%	94.2%	100.0%	99.5%	100.0%	95.0%	100.0%	98.4%
25	4164	1047	119*	5330	139109	251491	122998*	513598
	(491)	(148)	(75)	(496)	(19535)	(41227)	(62394)	(77096)
	100.0%	98.6%	99.6%	99.7%	100.0%	98.1%	100.0%	99.0%
26	4023	1545	203*	5772	129448	278399	166625*	574472
	(786)	(230)	(74)	(781)	(21410)	(47715)	(67320)	(91656)
	97.8%	98.5%	94.8%	97.9%	94.0%	98.9%	80.5%	91.8%
27	18118	1873	290*	20280	478131	360902	316058	1155091
	(1009)	(163)	(105)	(985)	(12884)	(46979)	(78136)	(108592)
	100.0%	100.0%	91.7%	99.9%	100.0%	100.0%	91.4%	97.5%
28	6095	942	297*	7334	175163	218445	366418*	760026
	(423)	(85)	(100)	(377)	(5128)	(24443)	(123423)	(122411)
	98.7%	81.2%	78.1%	95.1%	96.9%	83.7%	76.9%	82.8%
29	1011*	293*	94*	1398*	40980*	63255*	103291*	207526*
	(404)	(125)	(40)	(460)	(17325)	(21394)	(47214)	(62996)
	100.0%	100.0%	93.2%	99.5%	100.0%	100.0%	87.9%	93.6%
30	6711	1537	117*	8365	225004	294530*	103038*	622572
	(1152)	(382)	(47)	(1310)	(27639)	(81731)	(38356)	(108294)
	100.0%	100.0%	52.4%	98.7%	100.0%	100.0%	44.1%	82.7%
31	931*	569	25*	1525	24888*	135459*	156648*	176011
	(343)	(131)	(24)	(372)	(7207)	(34334)	(16901)	(38675)
	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
32	8760	911	154*	9825	234035	188604	108618*	531257
	(1138)	(156)	(60)	(1183)	(14590)	(34643)	(41738)	(46275)
	99.6%	90.0%	83.8%	98.3%	98.7%	90.2%	84.2%	92.4%
33	4134	1414	281	5829	138468	294090	456959	889517
	(468)	(137)	(61)	(470)	(10157)	(31348)	(68707)	(75856)
	100.0%	96.3%	83.4%	98.2%	100.0%	94.5%	73.5%	83.1%

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	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)		SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	
34	18224 (1089) 98.4%	3084 (145) 98.8%	283* (75) 81.8%	21590 (1068) 98.2%	550305 (9661) 99.2%	589453 (25066) 98.8%	309649* (102349) 88.2%	1449407 (111664) 96.5%
35	22650 (1097) 100.0%	3353 (141) 98.5%	677 (79) 86.3%	26680 (1124) 99.4%	606800 (8461) 100.0%	642995 (10504) 97.3%	887554 (111068) 79.7%	2137349 (113622) 89.8%
36	7104 (611) 100.0%	2685 (87) 100.0%	662 (151) 84.1%	10451 (599) 98.8%	230488 (11906) 100.0%	552662 (175) 100.0%	776411 (138629) 65.7%	1559561 (138597) 79.3%
37	3973 (835) 100.0%	1190 (102) 100.0%	353 (79) 84.9%	5516 (807) 98.9%	127022 (16795) 100.0%	239184 (28491) 100.0%	1234424 (279768) 81.5%	1600630 (273411) 85.1%
38	2689 (520) 100.0%	955 (86) 99.8%	221* (124) 53.1%	3865 (582) 95.2%	104602 (13774) 100.0%	194175 (19864) 99.9%	247035* (131412) 53.7%	545813* (138382) 71.9%
39	6553 (659) 100.0%	798* (1475) 100.0%	338* (216) 100.0%	7689 (1563) 100.0%	165877 (13792) 100.0%	149449* (273871) 100.0%	209369* (120490) 100.0%	524696* (259275) 100.0%
41	4420 (1016) 100.0%	510* (178) 100.0%	... ...	4930 (1084) 100.0%	117632 (25442) 100.0%	81542* (35755) 100.0%	... ...	199174 (49120) 100.0%
42	19875 (2226) 99.2%	1482 (319) 100.0%	82* (54) 99.5%	21439 (2315) 99.3%	482333 (54952) 98.9%	258822 (57060) 100.0%	74830* (49333) 100.0%	815985 (77574) 99.3%
45	3241* (911) 100.0%	590* (397) 99.9%	141* (55) 95.7%	3971* (1059) 99.8%	77497* (20033) 100.0%	109332* (75829) 100.0%	240189* (88357) 90.9%	427018* (109362) 94.7%
48	14624 (2098) 99.5%	902 (183) 100.0%	34* (21) 99.0%	15560 (2160) 99.5%	423049 (85998) 99.4%	176322 (39398) 100.0%	70083* (43687) 100.0%	669454 (110369) 99.6%
49	8215 (1754) 100.0%	1689* (545) 90.7%	152* (101) 87.7%	10056 (1971) 98.1%	269370 (58035) 100.0%	394076* (146859) 92.6%	105080* (65971) 71.7%	768525 (186923) 91.3%
50	30245 (2443) 99.7%	1802* (477) 100.0%	... ...	32047 (2499) 99.7%	622469 (67807) 98.8%	283239* (79024) 100.0%	... ...	905708 (116861) 99.1%
51	8893 (1212) 97.6%	237* (237) 100.0%	... ...	9130 (1259) 97.6%	181709 (40974) 98.2%	27013* (27013) 100.0%	... ...	208722* (55176) 98.4%
55	18928 (3032) 100.0%	620* (491) 99.9%	... ...	19548 (3239) 100.0%	309045 (54796) 100.0%	98575* (80174) 100.0%	... ...	407620* (110347) 100.0%
72	20629 (2414) 100.0%	636* (187) 94.2%	13* (19) 100.0%	21279 (2458) 99.8%	380020 (49376) 100.0%	77883* (23767) 94.7%	10670* (15114) 100.0%	468573 (61282) 99.1%
73	16460 (1695) 99.3%	1287 (228) 86.4%	246* (91) 72.3%	17993 (1660) 97.8%	417444 (44822) 99.1%	300076 (49248) 85.8%	258296* (90973) 78.5%	975815 (105120) 88.7%
75	25954 (3874) 99.1%	59* (60) 99.7%	... ...	26012 (3880) 99.1%	404681 (63093) 97.9%	8238* (8380) 100.0%	... ...	412919 (63628) 98.0%
76	9751 (2194) 100.0%	123* (94) 100.0%	... ...	9874 (2214) 100.0%	178432 (29757) 100.0%	24341* (19716) 100.0%	... ...	202773 (40475) 100.0%
80	2839* (830) 100.0%	2105 (271) 97.2%	2053 (304) 99.6%	6997 (857) 99.0%	101644 (22701) 100.0%	514723 (72692) 96.3%	2964031 (356584) 98.1%	3580398 (351083) 97.9%
A11	445160 (6797) 99.7%	48227 (749) 97.3%	8313 (455) 88.2%	501700 (6797) 99.2%	10961490 (79683) 99.4%	9461526 (110201) 96.8%	10520245 (518349) 84.4%	30943261 (490394) 93.0%

*Standard error >25% of the estimate. The estimate may be unreliable.
...No facilities observed.

NOES QUESTIONNAIRE ITEM NO. 27
Retention of Medical Records

Intent

The intent of this question was to determine the surveyed facility's management policy on the length of time that employee medical records are retained.

This item was displayed on the questionnaire as:

27. How long are medical records and other health information records retained?

— — — Years (If "forever" code "999")
(If "unknown" code "U K")

Notes

Record keeping systems (personnel or time keeping) were excluded from consideration unless they made specific provision for the inclusion of medical and/or health-related records.

Three classes of responses to question 27 were possible. In analyzing the survey data, it was decided that responses of unknown (UK) should be discarded since no real analytical process was possible. A "forever" (999) response did not allow for specificity, so analysis was performed to estimate the number of plants, and workers in those plants, where medical or health-related records were retained "forever". Approximately 43% of all plants, employing about 56% of the workforce in the survey sample frame, fall into this category.

The remaining respondents gave a specific ("non-forever") value which could be analyzed. These responses were averaged across the estimated populations of plants and workers.

Analysis

Two analyses of the responses to question 27 are presented.

- (1) Response 27 - Average number of "non-forever" years that medical records are retained

Estimates of the average "non-forever" retention periods for medical or health-related records are displayed in Figures III-111 and III-112, and Tables III-93 and III-94.

Figure III-111 Average number of "non-forever" years plants keep medical records
(by major industrial group)

Figure III-112 Average number of "non-forever" years plants keep medical records
(by 2-digit SIC)

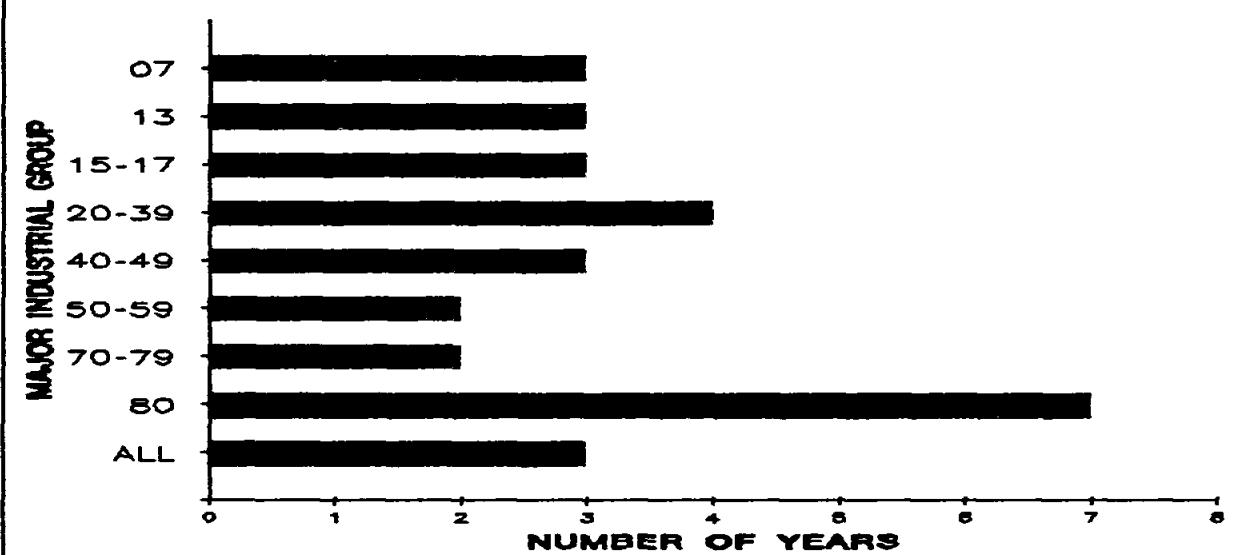
Table III-93	Average number of years facilities keep medical records among plants not reporting "forever" (by major industrial group)
Table III-94	Average number of years facilities keep medical records among plants not reporting "forever" (by 2-digit SIC)

(2) Response 27 - Number of plants retaining medical records "forever"

The estimates of the plants which keep medical or health-related records "forever", and workers in those plants (by number and proportion of the totals) are displayed in Figures III-113 and III-114, and Tables III-95 and III-96.

Figure III-113	Proportion of plants which keep medical records "forever" (by major industrial group)
Figure III-114	Proportion of plants which keep medical records "forever" (by 2-digit SIC)
Table III-95	Number and percent of plants and employees in plants which keep medical records "forever" (by major industrial group)
Table III-96	Number and percent of plants and employees in plants which keep medical records "forever" (by 2-digit SIC)

FIGURE III - 111
AVERAGE NUMBER OF "NON-FOREVER" YEARS
PLANTS KEEP MEDICAL RECORDS
(NOES 1981-1983)



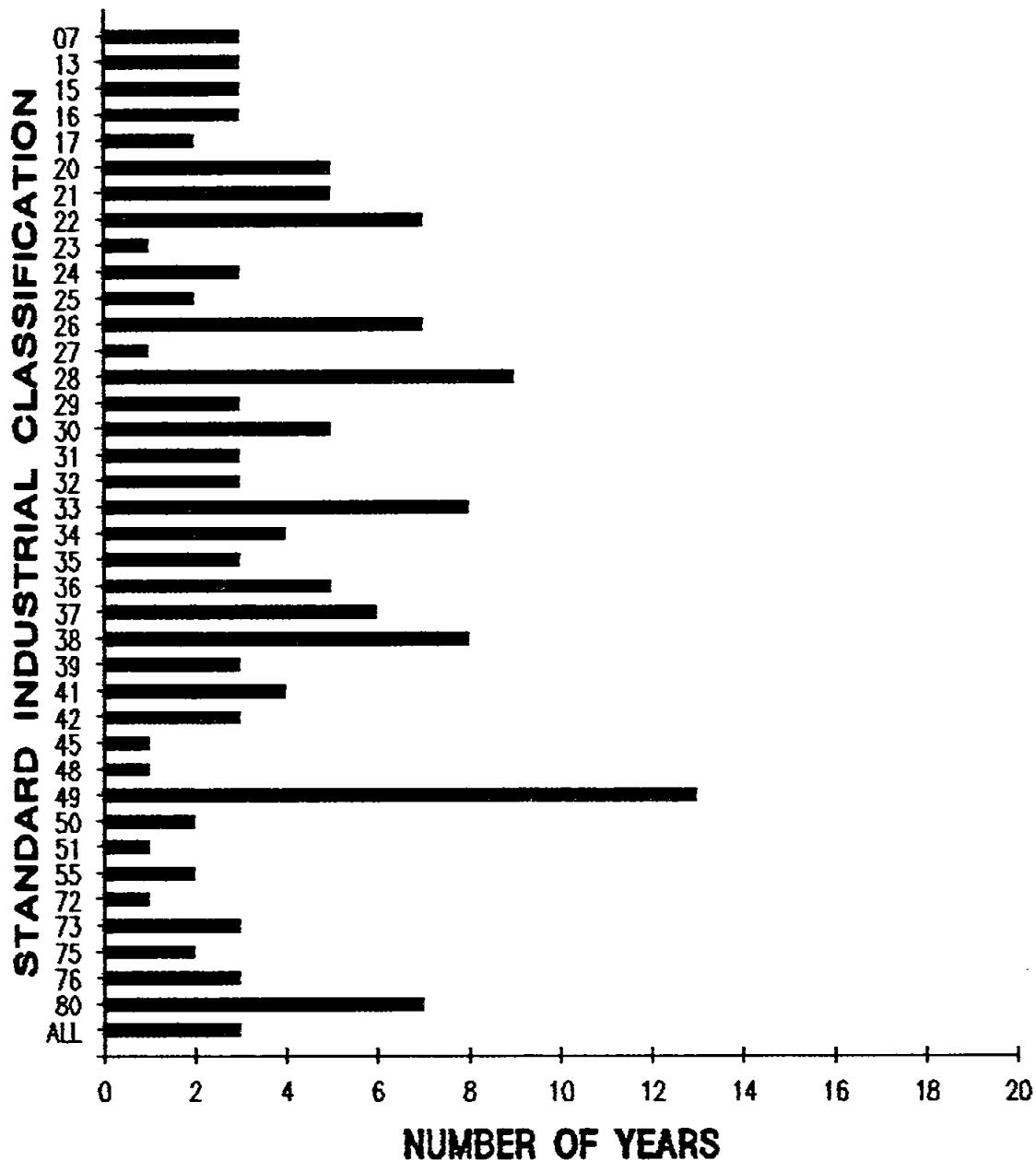
NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE SURVEY (1981-1983) TABLE NO. III-93

AVERAGE NUMBER OF YEARS FACILITIES KEEP MEDICAL RECORDS AMONG PLANTS NOT REPORTING "FOREVER"

MAJOR GROUP	PLANT SIZE			ALL
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (>500)	
07	3*	3*	...	3*
13	3*	2*	...	3*
15-17	3 (<.5)	4*	13*	3 (<.5)
20-39	3 (<.5)	7	18	4 (<.5)
40-49	3*	6*	18*	3*
50-59	2 (<.5)	4*	...	2 (<.5)
70-79	2 (<.5)	4*	10*	2 (<.5)
80	3*	9	12	7
ALL	3 (<.5)	6	16	3 (<.5)

*Standard error >25% of the estimate. The estimate may be unreliable.
...No facilities observed.

FIGURE III - 112
AVERAGE NUMBER OF "NON-FOREVER" YEARS
PLANTS KEEP MEDICAL RECORDS
(NOES 1981-1983)



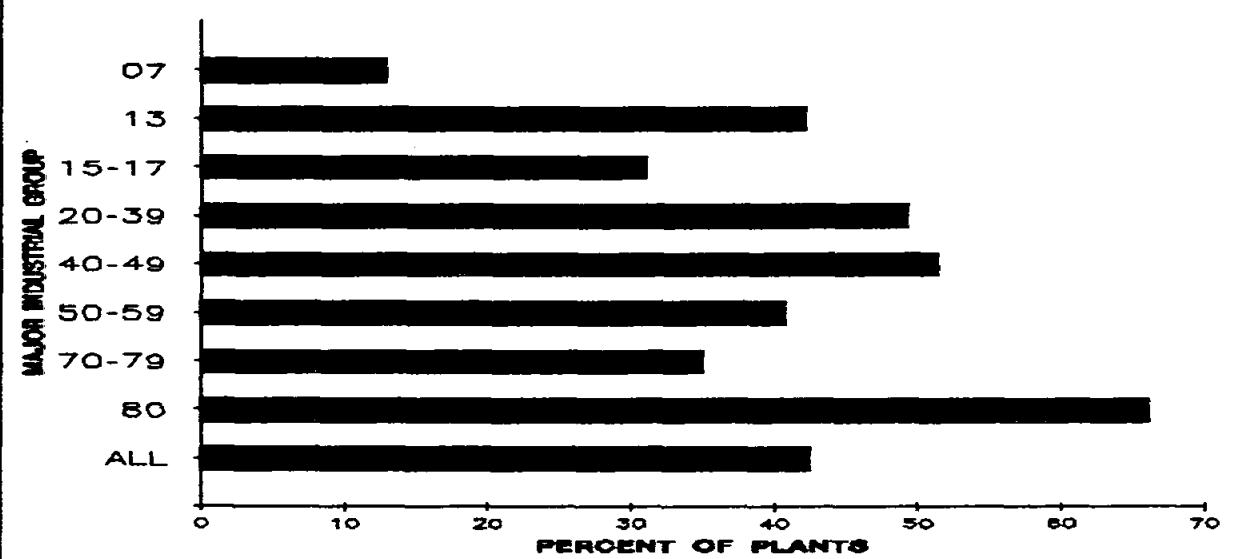
NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE SURVEY (1981-1983) TABLE NO. III-94
AVERAGE NUMBER OF YEARS FACILITIES KEEP MEDICAL RECORDS AMONG PLANTS NOT REPORTING "FOREVER"

SIC CODE	PLANT SIZE			ALL
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	
07	3* (1)	3* (2)	...	3* (1)
13	3* (2)	2* (1)	...	3* (2)
15	3 (1)	4* (3)	4* (5)	3 (1)
16	2* (1)	8* (4)	21* (11)	3* (1)
17	2 (<.5)	3* (1)	...	2 (<.5)
20	4 (1)	10* (4)	16* (8)	5 (1)
21	...	...	5* (4)	5* (4)
22	3* (1)	9* (3)	28 (1)	7 (1)
23	1* (≥.25)	3 (1)	...	1* (≥.25)
24	2* (1)	8* (5)	30* (21)	3* (1)
25	1* (1)	5* (4)	6* (11)	2* (1)
26	6 (2)	5* (3)	16* (7)	7 (1)
27	1* (≥.25)	4 (1)	14* (6)	1* (≥.25)
28	7* (3)	17* (5)	42* (13)	9* (2)
29	...	19* (12)	30* (21)	3* (4)
30	4* (2)	9* (4)	26* (10)	5* (2)
31	2* (2)	5* (4)	...	3* (2)
32	2* (1)	10* (5)	30* (21)	3* (1)
33	8* (2)	6* (9)	22* (6)	8* (2)

SIC CODE	PLANT SIZE			ALL
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (>500)	
34	4 (1)	6* (2)	15* (8)	4 (1)
35	2 (1)	5* (1)	19 (4)	3 (1)
36	3* (1)	10* (4)	15 (3)	5 (1)
37	6* (3)	7* (5)	27 (5)	6* (3)
38	5* (2)	10* (4)	26* (12)	8* (2)
39	2* (1)	4* (3)	8* (9)	3* (1)
41	4* (3)	7 (1)	...	4* (2)
42	3* (1)	11 (2)	2* (6)	3 (1)
45	<1	1* (1)	18* (11)	1* (2)
48	1 (<.25)	3* (4)	30* (22)	1 (<.25)
49	16* (10)	4* (3)	20* (13)	13* (8)
50	2 (<.5)	4* (3)	...	2 (<.5)
51	1* (>.25)	7* (7)	...	1* (1)
55	2* (1)	1* (4)	...	2* (1)
72	1* (>.25)	1* (1)	7* (5)	1* (>.25)
73	3* (1)	7 (1)	10* (7)	3* (1)
75	2 (1)	2 (1)
76	3* (1)	7* (5)	...	3* (1)
80	3* (2)	9 (1)	12 (2)	7 (2)
ALL	3 (<.5)	6 (1)	16 (1)	3 (<.5)

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FIGURE III - 113
PROPORTION OF PLANTS WHICH KEEP
MEDICAL RECORDS "FOREVER"
(NOSR 1981-1983)



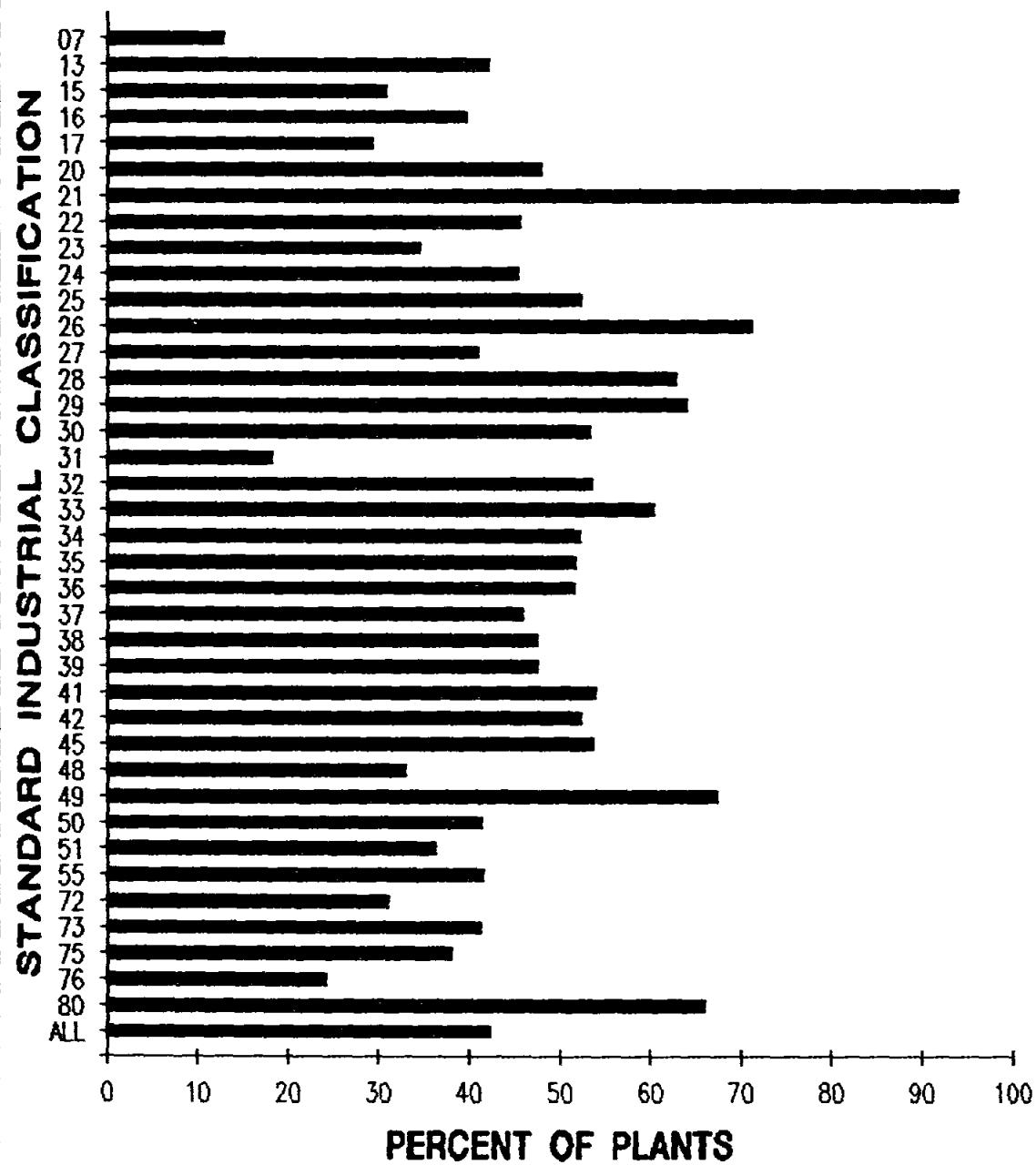
NATIONAL OCCUPATIONAL EXPOSURE SURVEY (1981-1983) TABLE NO. III-95

NUMBER AND PERCENT OF PLANTS AND EMPLOYEES IN PLANTS WHICH
 KEEP MEDICAL RECORDS "FOREVER"

MAJOR GROUP	PLANTS			EMPLOYEES			TOTAL	
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	TOTAL	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	
07	740* (424) 13.3%	...	...	740* (424) 13.1%	16412* (13699) 15.8%	...	...	16412* (13699) 14.8%
13	3543* (1109) 41.2%	504* (265) 49.4%	46* (52) 100.0%	4093* (1334) 42.4%	85337 (21195) 40.8%	82541* (32461) 47.5%	31383* (35291) 100.0%	199260* (78172) 48.1%
15-17	29063 (3202) 30.8%	1557 (328) 37.6%	160* (123) 66.1%	30780 (3172) 31.2%	655681 (66758) 31.2%	289054 (58158) 39.2%	122941* (88482) 52.1%	1067677 (121817) 34.8%
20-39	71187 (3723) 46.5%	19254 (1503) 60.6%	4167 (207) 66.5%	94607 (4154) 49.5%	2258052 (87194) 48.9%	3986170 (307890) 62.5%	5380325 (354220) 65.1%	11624547 (592448) 60.4%
40-49	26525 (2698) 49.9%	3913 (783) 67.0%	272* (108) 58.1%	30710 (2939) 51.6%	811323 (91265) 56.6%	696735 (144422) 60.4%	352631* (106109) 61.5%	1860690 (202986) 58.9%
50-59	23830 (2174) 40.8%	1128* (394) 42.4%	...	24958 (2187) 40.9%	519679 (43520) 46.2%	189824* (72435) 46.4%	...	709504 (84495) 46.3%
70-79	25480 (2789) 34.8%	1017 (146) 43.3%	210* (124) 59.3%	26706 (2752) 35.2%	504203 (63312) 36.2%	223468 (34333) 48.1%	188543* (94781) 55.5%	916214 (110525) 41.7%
80	1841* (648) 64.9%	1561 (270) 72.1%	1283 (252) 62.3%	4686 (658) 66.3%	61119 (15240) 60.1%	387855 (74389) 72.6%	1805934 (341875) 59.7%	2254907 (330972) 61.6%
ALL	182208 (6762) 40.6%	28934 (1816) 57.9%	6138 (388) 65.0%	217280 (7121) 42.7%	4911807 (164804) 44.3%	5855648 (363386) 59.4%	7881756 (521217) 63.2%	18649211 (736365) 55.8%

*Standard error >25% of the estimate. The estimate may be unreliable.
 ...No facilities observed.

FIGURE III – 114
PROPORTION OF PLANTS WHICH
KEEP MEDICAL RECORDS "FOREVER"
(NOES 1981-1983)



NUMBER AND PERCENT OF PLANTS AND EMPLOYEES IN PLANTS WHICH
KEEP MEDICAL RECORDS "FOREVER"

SIC CODE	PLANTS			EMPLOYEES			TOTAL	
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	TOTAL	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (≥500)	
07	740*	(424)	13.3%	740*	16412*	(13699)	14.8%	16412*
	...	...	...	(424)	13.1%	15.8%	...	(13699)
13	3543*	504*	46*	4093*	85337	82541*	31383*	199260*
	(1109)	(265)	(52)	(1334)	(21195)	(32461)	(35291)	(78172)
	41.2%	49.4%	100.0%	42.4%	40.8%	47.5%	100.0%	48.7%
15	7424	555*	98*	8077	150101	107417*	70472*	327991
	(1063)	(221)	(99)	(1140)	(21601)	(38072)	(67228)	(80954)
	29.8%	50.1%	72.6%	30.9%	26.7%	54.2%	52.3%	36.6%
16	4254*	660*	62*	4976*	119757*	120974*	52469*	293201*
	(1408)	(216)	(50)	(1440)	(40324)	(44951)	(41334)	(81844)
	37.7%	59.0%	57.8%	39.8%	42.2%	58.2%	51.8%	49.4%
17	17384	342*	...	17726	385822	60663*	...	446486
	(2480)	(185)	...	(2502)	(45421)	(32414)	...	(54316)
	29.9%	17.8%	...	29.5%	30.8%	18.3%	...	28.2%
20	4852	2001	475	7328	180748	459768	418913	1059428
	(632)	(371)	(104)	(749)	(25499)	(91441)	(99085)	(107993)
	42.5%	62.2%	84.9%	48.2%	46.5%	68.2%	85.2%	68.2%
21	30*	72*	103*	1866*	...	...	108745*	110611*
	(43)	(47)	(59)	(2685)	100.0%	...	(64516)	(63812)
	100.0%	91.5%	94.1%	100.0%	...	...	97.0%	97.0%
22	1067	1022	116*	2205	46422	238358	92229*	377009
	(266)	(143)	(45)	(303)	(10203)	(30970)	(44624)	(49607)
	36.4%	64.4%	39.0%	45.8%	43.8%	68.7%	35.3%	52.8%
23	3672	1636	196*	5505	146717	333781	177749*	658247
	(545)	(230)	(82)	(659)	(19925)	(45014)	(72914)	(80837)
	29.3%	52.7%	80.9%	34.7%	34.6%	54.7%	85.3%	53.0%
24	4690	664*	97*	5451	131040	105585*	84209*	320833
	(782)	(183)	(73)	(810)	(23804)	(27866)	(52011)	(63494)
	43.8%	57.8%	93.5%	45.6%	43.2%	57.5%	91.2%	55.4%
25	1974	807*	30*	2812	59929	195251*	50849*	306030
	(466)	(219)	(31)	(552)	(11629)	(53641)	(32821)	(73269)
	47.4%	76.0%	25.2%	52.6%	43.1%	76.1%	41.3%	59.0%
26	2890	1203*	117*	4209	85281	216766*	84263*	386311
	(686)	(316)	(66)	(728)	(20795)	(54854)	(51216)	(87409)
	70.3%	76.7%	54.5%	71.4%	62.0%	77.0%	40.7%	61.7%
27	6893	1253	199*	8346	204606	220191	197464*	622261
	(1146)	(143)	(95)	(1143)	(32320)	(39817)	(73483)	(96300)
	38.0%	66.9%	63.1%	41.1%	42.8%	61.0%	57.1%	52.5%
28	3811	748	305	4864	115831	179534	333092*	628457
	(510)	(143)	(58)	(520)	(10218)	(40994)	(102949)	(109518)
	61.7%	64.5%	80.2%	63.1%	64.1%	68.8%	69.9%	68.5%
29	584*	238*	80*	902*	34715*	55462*	102156*	192333*
	(289)	(120)	(38)	(351)	(17013)	(19608)	(69145)	(80572)
	57.8%	81.1%	79.1%	64.2%	84.7%	87.7%	86.9%	86.7%
30	3566*	797*	174*	4536*	118661	142562*	164469*	425691*
	(994)	(344)	(74)	(1210)	(24627)	(65374)	(71185)	(115134)
	53.1%	51.8%	77.6%	53.5%	52.7%	48.4%	70.4%	56.5%
31	47*	208*	25*	281*	1691*	50862*	15664*	68217*
	(45)	(82)	(24)	(96)	(1621)	(20805)	(16901)	(25622)
	5.0%	36.6%	100.0%	18.4%	6.8%	37.5%	100.0%	38.8%
32	4440	771	154*	5365	139923	164779	108618*	413321
	(836)	(134)	(60)	(851)	(17019)	(29274)	(41738)	(42966)
	50.5%	76.2%	83.8%	53.7%	59.0%	78.8%	84.2%	71.9%
33	2371	956	269	3596	73195	222485	354050	649730
	(548)	(229)	(57)	(634)	(14760)	(36775)	(73083)	(74767)
	57.4%	65.1%	79.9%	60.6%	52.9%	71.5%	57.0%	60.7%

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TABLE NO. III-96 (CONTINUED)

SIC CODE	PLANTS				EMPLOYEES			
	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (>500)	TOTAL	SMALL (8-99)	MEDIUM (100-499)	LARGE (>500)	TOTAL
34	9442 (1031) 51.0%	1862 (197) 59.6%	226* (82) 65.3%	11530 (1083) 52.4%	295943 (18436) 53.3%	373517 (43960) 62.6%	243628* (91224) 69.4%	913088 (106140) 60.8%
35	11282 (1277) 49.8%	2062 (214) 60.6%	575 (91) 73.4%	13919 (1200) 51.9%	344257 (24137) 56.7%	418922 (48633) 63.4%	742436 (89871) 66.7%	1505615 (89352) 63.2%
36	3536 (657) 49.8%	1389 (200) 51.7%	551* (148) 70.0%	5477 (698) 51.8%	101445 (21499) 44.0%	291460 (51239) 52.7%	770042 (137630) 65.1%	1162947 (155683) 59.2%
37	1574* (475) 39.6%	677 (141) 56.9%	318* (91) 76.5%	2570 (480) 46.1%	45987* (11535) 36.2%	127236* (40147) 53.2%	1096749 (221917) 72.4%	1269972 (219771) 67.5%
38	1143* (406) 42.5%	618 (112) 64.6%	177* (92) 42.5%	1938 (422) 47.7%	48622 (12114) 46.5%	106567 (26071) 54.6%	215534* (116457) 46.6%	370723* (125233) 48.6%
39	3321 (712) 50.7%	340* (658) 42.5%	10* (10) 3.0%	3671 (907) 47.7%	81173 (15332) 48.9%	83085* (162942) 55.6%	19466* (18968) 9.3%	183723* (158113) 35.0%
41	2434 (553) 55.1%	231* (132) 45.4%	...	2666 (573) 54.1%	63424 (15601) 53.9%	32864* (18259) 40.3%	...	96288 (23444) 48.3%
42	10351 (1755) 51.7%	972* (263) 65.6%	42* (30) 51.0%	11364 (1792) 52.6%	260835 (36128) 53.5%	164877* (46445) 63.7%	41982* (28109) 56.1%	467695 (68797) 56.9%
45	1651* (610) 50.9%	416* (326) 70.5%	79* (37) 53.6%	2146* (665) 53.9%	42124* (17174) 54.4%	53756* (43152) 49.2%	164040* (67312) 62.1%	259920* (65605) 57.6%
48	4474* (1327) 30.4%	684 (135) 75.8%	30* (20) 88.9%	5188* (1351) 33.2%	185880* (68591) 43.7%	138207* (35282) 78.4%	56857* (37465) 81.1%	380944 (87747) 56.7%
49	5597* (1441) 68.1%	1208* (421) 64.9%	121* (90) 69.9%	6926 (1567) 67.6%	217399 (52849) 80.7%	237647* (80983) 55.9%	89752* (62115) 61.2%	544798 (117381) 64.7%
50	12235 (1515) 40.3%	1128* (394) 62.6%	...	13363 (1675) 41.6%	285487 (29329) 45.3%	189824* (72435) 67.0%	...	475312 (88585) 52.0%
51	3417 (798) 37.5%	...	...	3417 (798) 36.5%	75734* (21891) 40.9%	...	...	75734* (21891) 35.7%
55	8179 (1527) 43.2%	...	...	8179 (1527) 41.8%	158458 (36736) 51.3%	...	...	158458 (36736) 38.9%
72	6536 (1599) 31.7%	115* (69) 17.1%	...	6652 (1598) 31.2%	135160 (27841) 35.6%	18109* (13497) 22.0%	...	153269 (30976) 32.4%
73	6613 (1511) 39.9%	806 (124) 54.1%	210* (124) 61.6%	7629 (1545) 41.5%	148973* (47326) 35.3%	184448 (28658) 52.7%	188543* (94781) 57.3%	521964 (106359) 47.4%
75	9953 (2031) 38.0%	59* (60) 99.7%	...	10012 (2027) 38.2%	171884 (37519) 41.6%	8238* (8380) 100.0%	...	180122 (37036) 42.7%
76	2377 (579) 24.4%	36* (45) 29.4%	...	2414 (589) 24.4%	48187 (11629) 27.0%	12672* (15755) 52.1%	...	60859* (20878) 30.0%
80	1841* (648) 64.9%	1561 (270) 72.1%	1283 (252) 62.3%	4686 (658) 66.3%	61119 (15240) 60.1%	387855 (74389) 72.6%	1805934 (341875) 59.7%	2254907 (330972) 61.6%
ALL	180190 (7552) 40.3%	28559 (1486) 57.6%	6138 (412) 65.1%	214886 (7730) 42.5%	4870145 (185032) 44.2%	5795354 (287085) 59.3%	7881756 (534658) 63.3%	18547255 (751986) 55.8%

*Standard error >25% of the estimate. The estimate may be unreliable.
...No facilities observed.

